

## House Republican Press Release

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### **Rep. Hovey: Bond Commission Okays Computer Appraisal Grant for Monroe**



The State Bond Commission today approved a \$27,500 grant for Monroe that will help the town develop a state certified computer assisted mass appraisal system to provide for more accurate revaluations and improve assessment and tax collection practices, state Representative DebraLee Hovey, R-112<sup>th</sup> District,

announced today.

The grant also will help pay for training of town employees in assessment and tax collection practices, Representative Hovey said.

“The Bond Commission’s favorable action on this grant today is good news for Monroe’s residential and commercial taxpayers. Computerized appraisal systems help make revaluations more accurate and help towns implement uniform and fair assessment and tax collection practices. When town-wide property revaluations are conducted, they should be as rational and equitable as possible. When Monroe’s computerized appraisal system is up and running, it will bring us that much closer to achieving that goal,” Representative Hovey said.

“I congratulate Town Assessor Elizabeth Duffy for initiating the application process that secured this grant for the town,” said Representative Hovey, who contacted state officials about the grant and urged them to support it. “When this system is in place, it will bring the assessor’s office into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.”